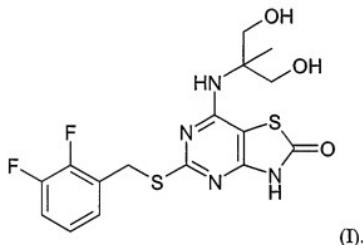


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

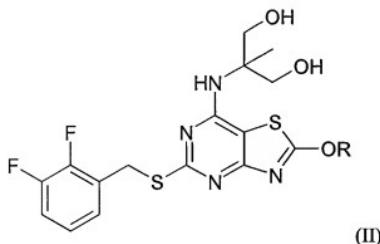
Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A monosodium salt of the compound of formula (I):



- 2-8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently amended) A process for the preparation of the monosodium salt of a compound of formula (I) of claim 1, which comprises reaction of a compound of formula (II):



where R is C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl with an acid,  
and thereafter forming a monosodium salt.

10-18. (Cancelled).

19. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the monosodium salt of the compound of Formula I of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent, or carrier.